

## LABOR FRIENDLY HARDING HEARS FROM A LEADER

Buffalo Union Chief Informs Nominee No Party Can Deliver Its Vote.

SOLID SOUTH FEARED

T. V. O'Connor Sees Danger in Reactionaries Under Democratic Regime.

By a Staff Correspondent of THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD.  
MARTIN, Ohio, Aug. 3.—There are two important developments to-day in Senator Harding's campaign. First and most gratifying to him was the assurance of T. V. O'Connor of Buffalo, lifelong Democrat and president of the International Longshoremen's Association, that labor generally believes a change of Administration necessary in Washington to restore confidence and put an end to unrest in the United States.

Encouraged by that message, the Senator conferred with Senator Harry S. New of Indiana, head of the campaign speakers' bureau, and Harry M. Daugherty, member of the Republican National Committee, regarding many angles of the political battle. They are getting ready to put the big "punch" into the fight.

Gov. Cox's pretentious claims to the labor vote received a challenge from Mr. O'Connor, who certainly is qualified if any one is to speak of the views of the rank and file of labor. The labor vote is not being delivered anywhere this year, he said. His conviction is that laboring men fear that if the Democrats win the Solid South nationalism will continue to dominate the Government. Labor's first concern is to drive out Bolshevism, the Buffalo leader said, and that can best be done by putting in Harding and a Republican Administration.

More Vigor to Campaign Sought.

In the conference with his Republican managers the Senator discussed mainly the question of extensively modifying the last porch campaign and injecting more vigor into the contest than can be done from Mount Vernon avenue. It is understood that both Messrs. New and Daugherty came here to express to the Senator the conviction of many Republican leaders that the front porch system of reaching voters is not going to be the big success expected.

The new boost in railroad fares has encouraged the hundreds of delegations which would like to visit Martin in special trains. Instead of the cheap excursion rate of the McKinley days, political managers now face enormous railroad bills and the added difficulty of getting equipment for special trains. Many of the leaders say it would impose too great a burden on their organizations to undertake the trip.

The Senator had a long talk with Mr. O'Connor, who was elected as a Democrat to the New York State Constitutional Convention. The Longshoremen's Association has 30,000 members.

"Square Deal for Labor."

"I am for Senator Harding," said Mr. O'Connor, "because I believe a change of administration absolutely necessary to restore confidence in this country. I know Senator Harding is a real man whom labor always will get a square deal without any blare of trumpets or brass bands."

"I have heard a good deal of leaders that are going to deliver the labor vote this year, but I want to say that nobody will deliver it. Labor is thinking as never before, and is going to vote to suit itself. In 1916 I was away from home and lost my vote, but if I had been there I would have voted for Wilson. But the Democratic party since then has been a sham for confidence of the country. We must restore popular confidence in our Government in order to put an end to the present state of affairs. The fact is that the world is in a bad scrape, and if the United States does not keep its feet on the ground the world can't."

"I deal with all the nationalities except Asia in our organization and I know that there is a general desire to get away from entanglements with European concerns. There is a good deal of apprehension among the men lest conditions which they observe in Europe may reach here. They are determined to avoid anything of that kind if they can."

South Utterly Reactionary.

"It seems very plain to me that labor must support the Republican party this year. If the Democrats should win the Government would be turned over to the control of the Solid South and the machine dominating Democratic States of the South. The Solid South will be the dominant partner, and the South has been utterly reactionary in its attitude toward labor. It is completely out of touch with modern attitudes toward such questions as women in industry, child labor, limited hours of labor, employers' liability and the like. In Texas recently a Democratic State administration declared martial law in Galveston, where there was a strike against the protest of every city official at a time when there wasn't a sign of disorder and the end of the strike, yet troops were brought in and martial law proclaimed."

Former Senator Bailey is campaigning for the nomination of Governor in Texas with the open shop as his platform. I have never asked the absolute assent to the view that the Southern Democracy takes of the problem of labor."

"I have been learning some things about Senator Harding since I have been in Martin. I learn that his newspapering before he was in politics he paid better wages than the union scale required. He has taken his veteran employment into cooperation with him in conducting the paper, and I believe that is a considerable part, and accounts for its notable success."

Sees Democratic Discard.

The Republicans are looking for an open break between Gov. Cox and his campaign manager, George H. White, who elected chairman of the National Committee. Both Senator New and Mr. Daugherty told Senator Harding that White in effect had been repudiated already and that there had been an "internal explosion" in the Democratic camp. The Democratic troubles were discussed at length in the conference.

## Germans Offer U. S. Paper Clothing, 60 Cents a Suit

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—Germany stands ready to help Americans beat the high cost of living. Germany's contribution, if the United States wants it, will be paper clothing for men. The price is 60 cents a suit. Fifty styles are available. Stripes made by the German proposal should write to the Department of Commerce. The department to-day received a report that Germany had shipped 40,000 paper suits to England.

The Democrats are not making a very harmonious start Mr. New said.

Mr. Daugherty said the quarrel had broken out earlier than was expected. He added:

"Mr. White is repudiated already by his chief and will not be permitted to make any more policy announcements. This is highly interesting to those who know the inside of the Democratic situation. Homer S. Cummings was the candidate of President Wilson for chairman and Ed H. Moore was Cox's candidate. Moore got mad because Cox made his pilgrimage to Washington and took himself out of it. Cummings was too objectionable to the Tammany crowd, who had helped to nominate Cox and who assumed that if Cummings were made chairman he would run the campaign practically as the vice-regent of Woodrow Wilson. So they compromised by naming White. Cox already has felt compelled to administer rebuke to White for talking about the issues. It seems that the Governor is going to do all of that."

Cox in Difficult Position.

"If the national chairman can't be trusted to indicate what are the issues it's going to be a pretty cramped campaign. Gov. Cox was afraid the White statement about side-tracking the league issue would offend President Wilson, and so has hastened to get from under. The Governor is in a difficult position. If he tries to get away from the league issue he will have the Wilson club swung over him, and if he sticks by the league issue he will offend the very people who nominated him in the belief that he was more nearly independent of Wilson control than any other candidate."

"It's a wide-open secret that Cox's visit to Washington split his party wide open at the very beginning of the campaign, and that half the Democrats who assisted in nominating him are through. Now we find the candidate and his campaign manager sharply divided as to the issues. It's a fine kettle of fish; but as to us Republicans—we should worry."

Recruits From Democrats.

Senator New has yet to find the man with Republican inclinations who is not satisfied with the Republican ticket. He has not known of a nomination since 1880 which has brought such universal endorsement, he said. On the other hand, he said, he was constantly hearing of whole elements of Democrats and independents who were going to the Republican ticket. He came here mainly to discuss with the Senator the speaking campaign, he said, and the subjects to be stressed by the bureau. Of the front porch campaign Senator New said:

"It may be taken for granted that Senator Harding's campaign will be conducted along sane and dignified lines. No one in authority has said there would not be a divergence from the front porch campaign. It may well be that he will speak elsewhere, but that is for the future to determine."

It is known Senator Harding desires to continue his porch speaking as long as he can, but he is considering the advice of the managers who urge he should make the big circuit to the Pacific coast.

Senator Harding will address tomorrow from his porch a big delegation of Republicans from Wayne county.

## PLEDGES COLORADO TO REPUBLICANS

Committeeman Work Says State Is Won for Harding.

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CHICAGO, Aug. 3.—Republican national headquarters in Chicago to-day was visited by Col. Hubert Work of Pueblo, who, beginning next Monday, is to be assigned to general charge of the mountain region States. Col. Work, who for two terms has been National Committeeman from Colorado, declared that his State's persistent allegiance to the Democratic party will be shaken this year. "Only once in this five years has Colorado sent a Republican elector to the college," he said. That was when Roosevelt ran to succeed himself following his first term. This year Colorado is going Republican. The speech of acceptance by Senator Harding has done more to win my State than the party platform. His personality is going to cut a huge furrow in this campaign. We expect him to speak in Denver in September. As for the other States there, Wyoming, Utah and New Mexico are Republican by a safe margin."

## WHISKEY MEN LOSE \$81,000 TO SWINDLER

Turn Over Cash, but Get No 850 Cases of Liquor.

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CHICAGO, Aug. 3.—Eighty-one thousand dollars was paid by a group of Chicago whiskey sales promoters for a few worthless slips of paper. To-day three of the six rushed into police headquarters and cried for vengeance. They had been swindled while arranging for distribution among saloon owners of 850 cases of whiskey that had existed solely in the imagination of the operator of the confidence game and in bogus warehouse receipts, bills of sale and Federal permits for removal. The six men paid out their \$81,000 upon the sole security of the valueless but official looking sheets.

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## HOW HARDING WILL CUT LIVING COST

Four Measures Are to Be Presented to Special Congress Session.

PROFITS TAX IS TO GO

Levies on All Rail Traffic Will Promptly Be Abolished.

The four principal measures by which Senator Warren G. Harding, Republican Presidential nominee, hopes to reduce the cost of living through enactment in a special session of Congress were outlined yesterday at Republican National Committee headquarters by Representative C. Bacon Stimp of Virginia. Mr. Stimp stopped over on his way home from Marion.

"Senator Harding will make the greatest possible contribution toward reducing the high cost of living through his announced plan of calling Congress into extra session immediately he is elected," he said. "If a Republican Congress is elected to support Senator Harding the extra session will do the following things:

"First—Revise, and possibly entirely repeal, the excess profits tax. This is the chief cause of the high price of everything to-day. The manufacturer collects it, the wholesaler collects it, the retailer collects it—with the result that the ultimate consumer pays three taxes instead of one."

"Second—Congress will immediately abolish the Government tax on freight and passenger traffic. The public will promptly reap the benefit."

"Third—Congress will immediately increase the tariff schedules and will thereby not only decrease the tax burden now falling on this country by about \$200,000,000, but will protect industries and American labor which need protection from low paid foreign competition."

"Fourth—Congress will materially modify the income tax schedules and bring about a very considerable reduction in them."

Representative Stimp, the only Republican member of the lower house of Congress from Virginia, is a member of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, which has direction of the election activities in behalf of candidates for the House of Representatives. He conferred in Ohio with Dr. Simon D. Fess, chairman of the national Congressional campaign committee.

"There is no question," Mr. Stimp said, "but that the drift in Ohio is toward Senator Harding and the Republican ticket generally. Dr. Fess and a group of fifty Indiana Representatives in Congress in Ohio this year and lose none."

"In Virginia and the South generally the tide is against the national administration. One of the beneficial effects of the war to the Southern people is the development of independence of thought and sentiment not hitherto known in our political life. Just what this will mean in the coming campaign it is impossible yet to foresee. Undoubtedly, there will be a greatly increased Republican vote."

Another caller at Republican headquarters was Thomas L. Sloan, an American Indian of the Omaha tribe and president of the Society of American Indians. He is a lawyer and a practitioner in the highest courts. Mr. Sloan and a group of fifty Indians, representing virtually every Indian tribe in the United States, will call on Senator Harding on August 9 and pledge to him the support of their race. Later, Mr. Sloan and a number of other Indians will take the stump for the Republican nominee in the West.

Senator David Ellkins (W. Va.) and W. H. Baker, formerly chairman of the West Virginia State Republican Committee, paid their respects to National Chairman Will H. Hays and predicted victory for Harding and Coolidge in their State.

Senator James W. Wadsworth conferred last night with Senators Calder, Frelinghuysen and others of the Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee upon the details of his campaign for re-nomination in the forthcoming primaries.

NO BLAME FOR LOFTIS DEATH.

Shayne and Miss Woods Cleared by Coroner's Jury.

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CHICAGO, Aug. 3.—Roy M. Shayne and his fiancée, Ruth Eleanor Woods, were exonerated from all blame in connection with the death of Samuel T. A. Loftis, wealthy diamond merchant, by a coroner's jury to-day.

The jury returned a verdict saying Loftis had "died of injuries suffered in a violent fall on the floor of his apartment, after hitting his head against a door," and recommended the release of both Shayne and Miss Woods.

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## RICKENBACKER HURT IN PLANE SMASH UP

Injuries Slight, but Machine Is Out of Big Flight.

OMAHA, Aug. 3.—Resumption of the flight of the all-metal airplane blasing a trail for an aerial mail route from New York to San Francisco was delayed temporarily to-day when one of the machines in attempting to take off failed to rise from the ground and crashed into an unoccupied house.

The radiator of the machine was caved in, the propeller broken and a wing smashed. Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker suffered a slight bruise on the head, but none of the other occupants of the plane were injured. The house was demolished. The plane, piloted by Capt. H. E. Hartney, was the last to start, the other two machines having made a safe ascent. After the accident they returned to the field, but again hopped off on their westward flight at 12:15 P. M. Capt. Rickenbacker occupying a place in one of the planes. The damaged machine will be shipped back to Mitchell Field, Long Island, for repairs. It was announced at the office of the air mail service here.

## LOCKLEAR'S DEATH BLAMED ON ROCKET

Fireworks Ignited Airplane in Tail Spin That Cost Two Lives, Coroner Told.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 3.—An investigation was started to-day by the coroner's office of the deaths of Lieut. Omar Locklear and Lieut. Milton Elliott, aviators, whose airplane last night crashed to the ground near Hollywood without having righted from a tail spin started at a height of 10,000 feet. Locklear, known as a daredevil aviator, was performing by searchlight for a motion picture concern when the fatal accident happened.

At a distance of 10,000 feet in the air Locklear released a signal by the motion picture director and started into a nose dive. A battery of searchlights were playing on the machine and fireworks were being set off from the ground by Lieut. Elliott. When he had dropped to within 200 feet of the earth Locklear was seen to attempt to straighten his plane out. He was too low, however, and crashed into the earth. Both aviators were instantly killed.

Five searchlights played on the airplane as it started on its spin, and Lieut. Locklear, the pilot, dropped a rocket, which he followed with the nose of his machine.

Spectators said when Locklear attempted to right his machine at a height of 200 feet the machine burst into flames. The plane was ignited by the rocket, it was said.

Both aviators were dead when motion picture employees reached them a few seconds after they crashed to the ground. The bodies were buried and mingled. The Lieutenants were in the United States aviation service during the war, and for a time were stationed together at Fort Worth, Texas. They took up commercial flying after the war. Locklear going in for "stunts." He was said to be the first aviator to leap from one machine to another in the air. He was born twenty-seven years ago at Compton, Tex. His widow lives at Fort Worth. Lieut. Elliott, 24 years old, was a native of Gadsden, Ala.

U. S. PLANE TO FLY FOR BENNETT CUP

Army Men to Handle Powerful Machine.

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—The War Department announced to-day that on August 20 the army entry for the James J. Gordon Bennett international cup race will start for Paris. Capt. W. G. Kilpatrick, U. S. A., is commander of the expedition. He will be accompanied by Capt. R. W. Schroeder, Capt. Corlies C. Hoesley and Lieut. Fred Puryear. Master Sergeant John Dolan, Master Sergeant Homer Gordy, Master Sergeant Oscar Paul, Staff Sergeant John Ross, Aviation Mechanic J. D. Smith, Joseph M. Pailard, George Tribett and S. A. Christensen and Foreman Assistant Charles W. Dvorak.

The aeroplane entered by the army air service is known as the Verville-Packard, and is of American design. It is a 600 horse power aeroplane engine. It is the most powerful ever built in this country, and was recently completed by the Packard Motor Car Company. The engine was designed by Col. J. G. Verville, one of the creators of the famous Liberty motor. The new motor has a total displacement of 2,025 cubic inches and weighs 1,244 pounds per horse power. It is a twelve cylinder motor with two groups of cylinders at an incline of sixty degrees. The motor was designed and constructed for this plane.

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## PONZI PROFITS BY WIZARD WORSHIP

'Wall Street Is Worried,' Says One Client, Who Claims \$100,000 Gain.

VAST SCHEME PLANNED

Boston Financier Promises to Launch \$100,000,000 Project in Near Future.

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BOSTON, Aug. 3.—From the cross-currents of opinion growing out of the frenzy of Charles Ponzi's sensational financial adventure comes the suggestion, falling on credulous ears in increasing numbers, that he is "making war upon established financial institutions and customs." The belief feeds upon the optimism that grows greater day by day as the "Wizard" smilingly meets all demands upon his cash, while official investigators continue at work apparently unable to find anything wrong in his pursuits.

Down in the Italian quarters a reporter to-day discovered an intimate friend of the modern wonder worker, who, according to his own statement, has made \$100,000 with Ponzi's aid during recent months. The man is a Socialist of the extreme type and declared himself competent to interpret Ponzi's purposes and motives in his undertakings.

"Ponzi has solved the capitalists' world game," this interpreter declared with emphasis. "They are trembling already at what he is going to do for the common men, for all will share in the great day at hand. His heart is with the people; all he is doing for them."

Then he talked of Ponzi's newest announced plan, a \$100,000,000 banking project which he declares he will launch "just as soon as the investigators have satisfied themselves his business is legal," as Ponzi puts it.

"Wall Street is worried," continued the Socialist friend. "It will worry some more. Another ten days and the public will be assured of the honesty and legality of the great plan. Then, on then," the speaker exclaimed with a wonderful gesture.

"I will not say Mr. Ponzi is a Socialist. On those things he will speak for himself all in good time. But he believes in the Golden Rule. He will prove what the Golden Rule means to the people."

These expressions are of particular interest coming from one known to be a friend of Ponzi's, and in view of the fact that Ponzi himself has declared his intention to become politically active after he gets his new undertaking on its feet.

One is inclined to laugh at Ponzi in politics—he is not yet a citizen of the United States—but one who talks with

him and looks into his snapping eyes, as he voices such thought, does not laugh. Almost always he smiles, but he acts like one inspired or self-hypnotized.

In brief, Ponzi to-day outlined his "next step" as a venture calling for a \$100,000,000 organization; perhaps \$200,000,000. Boston will be the centre of the gigantic undertaking, which will include the conduct of a worldwide chain of banks, consolidated industrial activities dealing in all essentials, a huge importing and exporting business having control over steamship lines plying every sea.

After this summary he quietly announced that "this would develop sooner than the public expected." He added: "From every enterprise, the subscribers, representing the people, would receive monthly interest, plus quarterly, semi-annually or annual dividends. Everything would be on a profit sharing basis, fifty-fifty," he declared. "My plans will develop very soon," was his parting word.

## COLUMBUS KNIGHTS HOLD CONVENTION

After Mass at St. Patrick's Hear Report of Work.

With delegates representing every State in the Union, Canada, Newfoundland, Alaska, Panama, Cuba and the United States possessions of the Pacific in attendance, the thirty-eighth annual supreme convention of the Knights of Columbus was opened formally yesterday morning with a pontifical high mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Fifth avenue and Fiftieth street, at which Archbishop John Boziano, Apostolic Delegate, was the celebrant. More than 5,000 persons crowded the edifice to witness the opening of the convention, which will continue for the fourth degree members attended in the full uniform of the order.

Following the mass the delegates adjourned to the grand ball room of the Commodore, where they listened to James A. Flaherty, supreme knight, read a report of the pre-war, war time and post-war activities of the organization. Mr. Flaherty said that the knights turned the entire energy of their organization to reconstruction work as soon as the War Department directed its reconstruction programme, he said, included the finding of work for discharged service men and the vocational training of disabled soldiers, seamen and marines.

The parade which was to have marked the opening of the convention was suspended because of the need of immediately beginning the business session. The delegates will travel down the bay to-morrow as an honorary convoy for the steamship Leopoldina, which will carry the K. of C. delegates to Europe for the unveiling of the organization's statue of Lafayette in Metz on August 21.

Far Workers Recalled.

The Associated Fur Manufacturers, at their headquarters, 303 Fifth avenue, issued yesterday a statement informing 10,000 striking fur workers, who have been out for the last ten weeks, that they are willing to have the men return in accordance with their old working agreement, which, the manufacturers say, the strikers were "misled" into violating by their leaders.

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